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REMARKS

New claims 24-42 have been added. No new matter has been added with the amendment. In the non-final office action, Examiner Dagosta provisionally rejected claims 1-23 based on statutory type double patenting. Applicants have cancelled claims 1-23, not to avoid any reference, but rather to clarify the claimed invention. The §101 rejection of claims 1-23 has been obviated by cancellation of the claims. Withdrawal of the rejections to claims 1-23 is requested.

The prior art does not disclose, teach, or suggest each and every element of new claims 24-42, and therefore claims 24-42 are patentable over the prior art. Claims 24-42 find support in the specification, *inter alia*, at pages 11-14.

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SUMMARY

Examiner Dagosta's rejection of claims 1-23 is obviated by cancellation of the claims. The Applicants respectfully submit that claims 23-42 fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 101. In view of the foregoing remarks, favorable consideration and early passage to allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

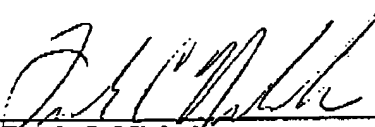
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